

REMARKS**THE CLAIM AMENDMENTS**

Claim 13 has been amended to change the claim term “probe sequence” to --primer sequence--. Claim 1, from which claim 13 ultimately depends, recites a primer sequence, rather than a probe sequence; therefore, the change to claim 1 is supported by the claims. Additional support is found in the specification at *inter alia*, paragraph 0058. Applicants submit that the change to claim 13 introduces no new issues and that the change made to claim 13 serves only to place this claim in better form as this case goes to appeal.

No new matter has been added to the application with the claim amendments set forth herein.

CONCLUSION

Because the amendments presented herein place the claims in better form for appeal, applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments set forth in this paper.

Respectfully submitted,

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